

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 5618

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LCO No. **4557**



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE HANDLING FEE FOR BOTTLE REDEMPTION CENTERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 22a-245 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 3 October 1, 2017):
- 4 (d) In addition to the refund value of a beverage container, a
- 5 distributor shall pay to any dealer or operator of a redemption center a
- 6 handling fee of at least [one] two and one-half cents for each container
- 7 of beer or other malt beverage and [two] three cents for each beverage
- 8 container of mineral waters, soda water and similar carbonated soft
- 9 drinks or noncarbonated beverage returned for redemption. A
- distributor shall not be required to pay to a manufacturer the refund
- 11 value of a nonrefillable beverage container.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 October 1, 2017 22a-245(d)

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Statement of Purpose:

To promote recycling and the continued employment of workers in the bottle redemption industry.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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